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SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - September 1961

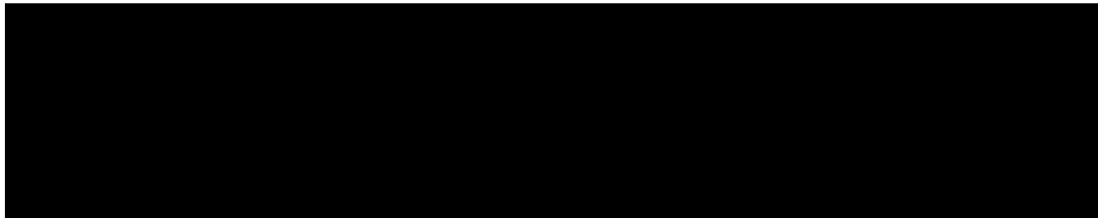
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1. On 19 September, Chief, FDD, visited the DD/P area for a briefing on [REDACTED]. The Project requires linguistic aid in the organization of its files, which FDD will provide on a temporary basis as needed.

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2. Specific requirements for more timely information in the hostility indicators category, as well as for speedier receipt of daily newspapers from Eastern Europe, has prompted an experiment in direct publications procurement on a limited scale. Subscriptions have been placed through [REDACTED] to two Czechoslovak and one Hungarian newspaper. As a result, Prague newspapers have been received by air within three days of publication.

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4. The Advisory Committee on Mechanical Linguistics, with Chief, FDD, [REDACTED] met on 20 September to consider the advisability of continuing support of [REDACTED] in view of the current state of [REDACTED]. Noting the cost of the initial output of the project was more than double that for human translation, the Committee agreed to recommend to the Projects Review Committee that support be continued until 1 January 1962 providing that production be halted and the Project concentrate on research to improve the quality of the output.

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On an urgent request from the State Department Director of Intelligence via the DCI, FDD prepared in two days a compilation of statements of North Vietnam leaders indicating Communist direction of armed intervention in South Vietnam.

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7. [REDACTED] was awarded the Certificate of Merit by the DCI on 25 September.

8. Special reports issued in September:

Organizational Data on Somali Political Parties,
October 1960-June 1961 - Sum No. 3170,
11 September 1961

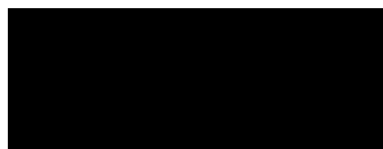
Editorial Autonomy in the Soviet Press - Sum No. 3171,
11 September 1961

South Asian Press Information on Indian Communist
Party Activities (February-May 1961) - Sum No. 3179,
15 September 1961

Data on Communist Controlled Union of Cypriot Farmers,
1 September 1960-31 July 1961 - Sum No. 3181,
20 September 1961

Indonesian National Front - Sum No. 3185,
21 September 1961

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Enclosures:

1. Statistical Report
2. Details of personnel actions

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